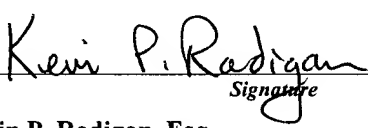
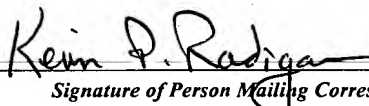


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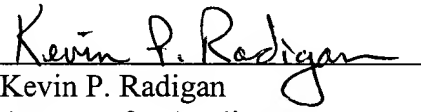
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**Response to Final Office Action**

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed responsive to the final Office Action mailed December 1, 2004, in  
connection with the above-designated U.S. patent application. Reconsideration and allowance of  
all claims are respectfully requested in view of the Remarks below.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.